

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): ~~Cosmetic~~ A cosmetic process for treating at least one skin irregularity selected from the group consisting of a visible skin irregularity, and/or a tactile skin irregularities irregularity, and a combination thereof, comprising the steps consisting in:

(a) topically applying to the skin a composition comprising containing, in a physiologically acceptable medium, at least 10% by weight of 8-hexadecene-1,16-dicarboxylic acid,

(b) leaving the composition in contact with the skin for a time ranging from 5 minutes to 6 hours, and

(c) removing the composition by rinsing.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): ~~Process~~ The process according to Claim 1, wherein characterized in that the composition is left in contact with the skin, in step (b), for a time ranging from 5 minutes to 30 minutes.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The process of Claim 1, Process according to Claim 1 or 2, characterized in that it is intended for attenuating wherein the at least one skin irregularity is selected from the group consisting of at least one wrinkle, at least one fine line, wrinkles and fine lines and/or at least one pigmentary marks mark, at least one scar, and/or sears and combinations thereof.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The process of Process according to Claim 3, characterized in that wherein the at least one skin irregularity is the at least one scar, and

wherein the at least one scar is an acne or a chickenpox mark ~~said scars are acne or chickenpox marks.~~

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The process of Claim 1, wherein the process ~~Process according to any one of Claims 1 to 4, characterized in that it is performed on a human individuals with acne, at least one wrinkle, at least one scar, at least one pigmentation defect, or a combination thereof~~ ~~and/or wrinkles and/or scars and/or pigmentation defects.~~

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The process of Claim 1, wherein ~~Process according to any one of Claims 1 to 5, characterized in that the amount of 8-hexadecene-1,16-dicarboxylic acid represents from 10% to 50% of the total weight of the composition.~~

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): ~~Process according to~~ The process of Claim 6; ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the amount of 8-hexadecene-1,16-dicarboxylic acid represents from 15% to 35% of the total weight of the composition.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The process of Claim 1 ~~Process according to any one of Claims 1 to 7, characterized in that~~ wherein the composition comprises, in a physiologically acceptable medium suitable for topical application to the skin: ~~(a)~~ from 10% to 50% by weight of 8-hexadecene-1,16-dicarboxylic acid and ~~(b)~~ from 0.1% to 15% by weight of at least one  $\beta$ -hydroxy acid, relative to the total weight of the composition.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): ~~Process~~ The process according to Claim 8, ~~characterized in that wherein the at least one said  $\beta$ -hydroxy acid is chosen~~ selected from the group consisting of from a salicylic acid, and derivatives thereof, or a salt of a salicyclic acid, and combinations thereof such a derivative.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): ~~Process according to~~ The process of Claim 9, ~~characterized in that wherein the at least one  $\beta$ -hydroxy acid is a salicyclic acid, and wherein the said salicylic acid derivative is 5-n-octanoylsalicylic acid.~~

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): ~~Process according to any one of Claims 8 to 10~~ The process of Claim 8, characterized in that wherein the amount of the at least one  $\beta$ -hydroxy acid represents from 0.2% to 10% relative to the total weight of the composition.

Claim 12 (New): The process of Claim 2, wherein the at least one skin irregularity is selected from the group consisting of at least one wrinkle, at least one fine line, at least one pigmentary mark, at least one scar, and combinations thereof.

Claim 13 (New): The process of Claim 12, wherein the at least one skin irregularity is the at least one scar, and wherein the at least one scar is an acne or a chickenpox mark.

Claim 14 (New): The process of Claim 2 wherein the composition comprises, in a physiologically acceptable medium suitable for topical application to the skin: from 10% to 50% by weight of 8-hexadecene-1,16-dicarboxylic acid and from 0.1% to 15% by weight of at least one  $\beta$ -hydroxy acid, relative to the total weight of the composition.

Claim 15 (New): The process according to Claim 14, wherein the at least one  $\beta$ -hydroxy acid is selected from the group consisting of a salicylic acid, a salt of a salicyclic acid, and combinations thereof.

Claim 16 (New): The process of Claim 15, wherein the at least one  $\beta$ -hydroxy acid is a salicyclic acid, and wherein the salicylic acid is 5-n-octanoylsalicylic acid.

Claim 17 (New): The process of Claim 14, wherein the amount of the at least one  $\beta$ -hydroxy acid represents from 0.2% to 10% relative to the total weight of the composition.

Claim 18 (New): The process of Claim 3 wherein the composition comprises, in a physiologically acceptable medium suitable for topical application to the skin: from 10% to 50% by weight of 8-hexadecene-1,16-dicarboxylic acid and from 0.1% to 15% by weight of at least one  $\beta$ -hydroxy acid, relative to the total weight of the composition.

Claim 19 (New): The process according to Claim 18, wherein the at least one  $\beta$ -hydroxy acid is selected from the group consisting of a salicylic acid, a salt of a salicyclic acid, and combinations thereof.

Claim 20 (New): The process of Claim 19, wherein the at least one  $\beta$ -hydroxy acid is a salicyclic acid, and wherein the salicylic acid is 5-n-octanoylsalicylic acid.